Washington Forest Practices Adaptive Management Science Conference

March 20th, 2007

Please Mark your calendar and plan to attend

The Cooperative Monitoring Evaluation and Research Committee (CMER) of the Timber, Fish and Wildlife Program announces the fourth annual Forest Practices Adaptive Management Science Conference on March 20th, 2007 in Olympia, Washington. CMER is responsible for conducting applied research in support of adaptive management of the Forests and Fish Agreement, which governs forestry practices on most private and state lands in Washington State. The Forests and Fish Agreement, which was signed into law in 1999, was designed to meet Clean Water Act requirements and ESA standards for all fish species and seven species of stream associated amphibians.

The one day conference will highlight the results of CMER studies including:
- Amphibian genetic perspective in managed forests
- Salamander use of wood debris
- Shade and amphibian populations
- Shade and understory vegetation in headwater streams with FFR buffer zones
- Effectiveness of bull trout buffer zone prescriptions to maintain water temperature
- Windthrow, wood recruitment, and soil disturbance in buffer strips
- Effects of different buffer treatments in headwater streams
- Landslide response to severe storms
- Evaluating the effectiveness of FFR road prescriptions

The conference will be held on the Washington State Capitol Campus at the DSHS Office Building 2 Auditorium in Olympia. For driving directions to DSHS OB2 visit:

http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/geninfo/drivingdirections.shtml

Presentations are scheduled from 8:45 am to 4:30 pm. There is no fee for the conference, however **reservations are required**. More information on the agenda will be available later in February on the CMER web site:

http://www.dnr.wa.gov/forestpractices/adaptivemanagement

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Please forward this announcement to others who may wish to attend.